



CS&D Alumni Newsletter

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Greetings from the faculty and staff at Syracuse University! We hope this short newsletter finds you healthy and happy. There have been many changes over the past year, and we wanted to keep you abreast of our news. First, we are very pleased to welcome Dr. Raymond Colton to our department as chair. Many of you know Dr. Colton from his long tenure here as an adjunct professor. We are very fortunate that he chose to leave his former position at Upstate Medical Center and join us full-time here as a faculty member. We have included a description of some of his career highlights so that you can become better acquainted with him. We also extend a warm welcome to Dr. Cathy Pelletier, who comes to us as a visiting Assistant Professor this academic year. Dr. Pelletier has been a practicing speech-language pathologist for over 20 years and just recently received her Ph.D. from Cornell University in Food Science, specializing in Sensory Evaluation. Her expertise is in swallowing and neuropathology of speech and language.

Some more exciting news is that we have administratively moved into the College of Arts and Sciences, effective July 1, 2002. We are now the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. This decision was made very carefully and after much consideration. We believe that, through this move, CS&D students will benefit from an increased collaboration with the liberal arts scientists so crucial to clinical research and teaching: psychologists, linguists, and experts in all areas of the physical and behavioral sciences. The students will, of course, continue to experience the same small, caring department of faculty and staff dedicated

to their success. There was no physical move of the department, laboratories, or the Gebbie clinic.

Our ASHA site visit took place in the spring, and we have now received re-accreditation for our speech-language pathology and audiology master's programs. In addition, our revised teacher certification program was recently approved by New York State. Students who complete the necessary courses and workshops will now qualify for certification as Teachers of Students with Speech and Language Disabilities. These two major accomplishments, as well as our move to Arts and Sciences, were completed under the skillful leadership of Interim Chair, Dr. Linda Milosky. We hope you will join us in congratulating and thanking her for her leadership to our department for the last 1-3/4 years.

Finally, please come to our dessert reception at the ASHA convention, details of which are in this newsletter. As always, stop by and see us any time you are in the Syracuse area.

For the faculty,
Mary Louise Edwards and Beth Prieve

Please Note: If you are called by S.U. and choose to make a donation to our department, please send it to the College of Arts and Sciences, with **CS&D Gift Account** written in the memo line of the check.



Meet Dr. Raymond Colton

By Linda Milosky

It is with pleasure that we introduce to you Dr. Raymond Colton, our new department chair. Many of you are probably already acquainted with him, either through research or professional means. Still other alums know him through his teaching, as he has been an adjunct professor with Communication Sciences and Disorders for many years, and for more than a decade, has taught various courses, including speech science, voice disorders and anatomy and physiology of the speech and hearing mechanisms.

Dr. Raymond Colton is an internationally recognized leader in the field of speech-language pathology with expertise in the fields of voice and speech science. He received his Ph.D. in 1969 from the University of Florida and joined the faculty of SUNY Upstate Medical University that year. As a research scientist at Upstate for three decades, Dr. Colton developed a distinguished body of research in his field. His studies of vocal fold movement and the effects of disease on such movement continually evolved as he employed cutting-edge imaging technology, engaging in valuable collaborative efforts with other medical professionals. An important focus of that research has been to determine how speech-language pathologists might best use such technology on a routine basis to diagnose and treat voice disorders.

In addition to over 100 presentations given throughout the world, Dr. Colton has 54 publications in peer-reviewed journals and 8 invited book chapters. He is the first author on the foremost text on voice disorders in the field of speech-language pathology, a book widely used in the United States and abroad. It also serves as a primary reference for practitioners working with voice clients across the age

spectrum. He is currently preparing the third edition of this book. In addition, he is co-author of a book on rehabilitation of persons who have suffered head and neck cancer. Dr. Colton has procured 11 research grants from various sources, including several from the National Institutes of Health. His research has led to significant clinical advances, and he has been an early and longtime participant in the highly regarded Annual Symposium for the Care of the Professional Voice. At Upstate Medical University, he was one of the founders of The Voice Center, which trains countless medical residents and speech pathologists in the area of voice. This center has attracted the brightest and the best people from all over the country to study with Dr. Colton and his colleagues. In recognition of his valuable scientific contributions, he was named a Fellow in the International Association of Phonetic Sciences in 1984 and a Fellow of the American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association in 1989.

In addition to his career as a scholar/teacher/clinician, Dr. Colton has devoted his time and expertise to extensive professional service. He has been a member of the editorial board of The Journal of Voice since its inception, a member of the editorial board for several prestigious journals, including the Journal of the Acoustical Society of America and the Journal of Speech and Hearing Research, and the editor of two national newsletters. Dr. Colton has served as a high-level officer (e.g. president, vice-president) in several international, national and state professional or research organizations. The New York State Speech-Language Hearing Association recognized Dr. Colton's contributions by awarding him the Distinguished Service Award in 1981 and the Honors of the Association in 1989.

In addition to his professional activities, Dr. Colton keeps busy with his hobbies. He keeps active skiing in the winter and roller-blading and playing golf in the summer. He and his wife enjoy theater and opera. Most of all, he enjoys playing with his four grandchildren.



DESSERT RECEPTION AT ASHA

Friday, November 22, 2002

7:00-9:00 PM

Wyndham Atlanta

The Apollo Room



If you plan to attend, please e-mail Judi at jpemmi@syr.edu. We hope to see you there!

ATTENTION !!

We'd Under a new and temporary regulation adopted by the Board of Regents of New York State in July, NYS *licensed* speech-language pathologists who have not gone through a traditional teacher certification track can apply for a *provisional* teaching certificate. Applications must be made to the State Education Department Office of Teaching Initiatives (<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/>) by Feb. 1, 2004. For further information, e-mail the State Board for Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology at speechbd@mail.nysed.gov